

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application No. 10/559,996 )  
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Filed: October 4, 2006 )  
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Applicants: Ralf KRAHMER et al. )  
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Title: REAGENTS FOR MODIFYING )  
BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, THE )  
USE AND PRODUCTION )  
THEREOF )  
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Art Unit: 1654 )  
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Examiner: Ronald T. Niebauer )  
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Attorney Docket: 5942/87136 )  
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Customer No.: 22242 )

*Confirmation No. 4587*

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT C**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time in the above-identified application, up to and including December 7, 2009, to make this reply timely, the due date for response being Monday, December 7, 2009, the first business day after Saturday, December 5, 2009, to make this reply timely.

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 5, 2009.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.